Summary of Conference Presentation

Conference: Campus Safety Health and Environmental Management Association

(CSHEMA) Conference, Boston, MA

Date: July 25, 2007

Presented by: Kristin Fitzgerald, U.S. EPA, Office of Solid Waste

Title: Update on EPA's Laboratories Rule

EPA spoke at the annual CSHEMA Conference to provide an update on the status of the final rule for laboratory waste from colleges and universities. Approximately 40 college and university representatives attended the presentation. Kristin Fitzgerald provided an overview of the public comments EPA received on the proposed rule and corrected some misunderstandings about specific provisions of the proposed rule. She summarized the main issues under discussion within the Agency, but indicated that no decisions about the final rule had been made at this time. She also discussed the process of finalizing and implementing a final rule and indicated where OSW is in the process.